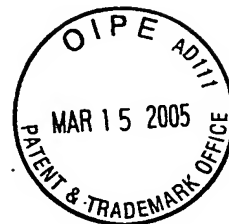


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In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts mailed February 25, 2005, a copy of which is enclosed, Applicants now timely submit herewith a duly executed Combined Declaration signed by the inventors.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the amount of \$65 (declaration Surcharge fee in the amount of \$65) and any additional fees that may be required, or credit any overpayment, to account No. 19-5113.

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The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Indication of Small Entity Status
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The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
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